The Great Game of Politics

Review of President's Appointments

Menuon has been made in this space several times of a favored form of disparaging the Truman administration adopted by the more or less intellectual insiders of the former regime who now find themselves uncomfortably distant from the White House, personally and politically.

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keep those good men whom he found in high positions when he became Pres-

They harp on Messrs. Allen, Hannegan and Vaughn, but ignore completely Messrs. Forrestal, Patterson, Symington, Harriman, Gardner (whose sudden

Frank R. Kent. death was generally deplored), Wiggins, Brown Ross and Clifford.

Secretary of the Navy Forrestal Kingdom," a Cat and Secretary of War Patterson tant?—D. R. P. but the others were brought in by him and they by no means sustain of Father Chisholm after his uncle, the contention that the personnel of the Government service has the Government service has deteriorated and we are being ruled by a lot of Missouri mediocrities. Appointment of Marshall Cited.

To make this notion even reason-

And now President Truman has April 3, 1946. made it more difficult for these critics who insist on the "low-level" idea by appointing a very good man as solicitor general of the United States-Philip B. Perlman of Maryland: Mr. Perlman is an able and to rose pollen. successful lawyer who is making a considerable "financial sacrifice" to take this position.

He is a man of intelligence, character and experience. He is not a J. H. O. politician, though he has been active in Democratic politics. He has for Aeronautics has devoted consid
"What a morning, what a filled a number of appointive public of State of Maryland under the late Gov. Ritchie, whose intimate an elective office for himself.

He is interested in art and early falling off. He used to play tennis, that the propeller causes consider though not very well. He is a ably more noise than the engine. bachelor with no known bad habits. The post to which he has been named, next to the Attorney Generalship and the Supreme Court, which Gen. Custer was killed?is the highest a lawyer can hold F. O. W. moted to the Supreme Court.

Perlman Is Hard Worker. It is the most important Federal post to which any Marylander has been appointed in 40 years—since the late Charles J. Bonaparte was and escaped the fate of his comthe late Charles J. Bonaparte was and escaped the fate of his commade Secretary of the Navy by rades. Theodore Roosevelt. In addition to his other equipment, probably the best reason for believing Mr. Perl- produce the most petroleum?man will make a good solicitor S. J. H. general is 'that an outstanding characteristic of his nature is industry. He really works.

before. The truth is that, considering the natural reaction after the world's supply. Then came Venewar, Mr. Truman has done exceeding the Arabian Sea region (Iraq, then he swing down down the swing down the swing down down the swing down down the swing down th ments. He has no more of which to Indies and Rumania. be ashamed than his predecessor, and just as many of which to be proud.

Take it all the way through, and the personnel in this adminis-

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ment of Mr. Truman, personally, and the wide circulation given to tration compares favorably with the theory that he is unable to get that of the prewar period of the the circus and good men to accept important posts under him or to preceding one. The comparison the citrus and during the war, when the whole governmental machine was immensely expanded and all a President had to death a President had to death and all a President had to death and all a President had to death and all a President had to death a President had to d dent had to do to bring any one he wanted to Washington was to ask, obviously is unfair.

Answers to Questions

in obtaining his education. way is in Alaska?-E. Y. Marshall as Secretary of State and his prompt acceptance thereof. Certhe Richardson highway and con-Chamber of Commerce secretary tainly all these are "good men" tinues to Fairbanks. The total during his ordeal. and it might also be mentioned distance is 1,523 miles. The Cana- Wife Wore F that all of them are making "finan- dian section of the highway was

Q. What is meant by a rose cold?

A. Rose cold is another name for a variety of hay fever attributed C. of C. workers are made to take issue it when Philip Murray, presi-

Q. Has it been definitely proved that the propeller is the principal ing its head, a shirt of the same source of noise in an airplane? material, and a pair of cross-venti-A. Recently at Langley Field, Va.,

offices, including that of Secretary

erable research to prove this fact. ing," he chattered in a voice that

off State of Maryland under the

A Piper Cub, stripped of its wings

had taken on the tones of a side of and staked down, was wound up bacon in a deep-freeze unit. "This friend he was, but has never sought to the take-off rate of its 51 horsepower engine with a two-bladed dreams about." propeller. The noise was the usual deafening one. This was only one

Q. Were there any survivors of on it. "Wh the Battle of Little Big Horn, in am going?"

in this country. It has been filled A. It is generally stated that Cusby a long line of distinguished law- ter and all his command were killed. tourist from New York pass. yers, some of whom have been pro- A few years ago, however, Our Army published the story of a man who claimed to be the only survivor. He related that he had been delayed this afternoon's water show," he

Q. Which countries in the world

A. Recent figures on petroleum production are not available but 1940 figures show normal prewar At any rate, his selection makes production. The United States in the claim that it is impossible to that year produced 63 per cent of the get good men to enter this ad- total world supply of crude oil. The ministration seem even sillier than Soviet Union ranked second, proingly well in the matter of appoint- Iran and Arabia). Netherlands East

> Q. How long has infantile paralysis been known as a disease?-

A. It is not definitely known whether infantile paralysis is an ancient or a comparatively new disease, but Egyptian engraving reveals deformities which are cited as indications that this disease was in existence two to three thousand years before Christ. The first unquestioned description of infantile paralysis was written by Michael Underwood in 1784.

McLemore-Meets C. of C. Man

In Florido Freeze

a "cold snap" hits this State. comes a man

between the and deep blue sea. Being a human

being, he suffers Henry McLemore. from the cold. His teeth chatter, his toes tingle, his ears hurt, and he craves the companionship of a bell we ther of this flock of

log fire above everything else.

But owing to the nature of his work, he must rise above his suffering, forget that he is a human, and cently have told

Wife Wore Her Woolens.

apparently valuing her health above ers' Council and, therefore, in favor her husband's job, was bundled in of raising everything that goes into when they are hired, was wearing dent of the CIO, after failing to get a pair of pants a mosquito could any action from that remarkable have flown through without lower-assistant to the President, John R. lation beach sandals. His ensemble was blue and all of him that was

"What a morning, what a morning," he chattered in a voice that is the kind of morning a man

I told him he was right—that it was the kind of morning a man American architecture as well as dearening one. This was only one the law, and rides horses without that the propeller causes considerof covers.

"Don't be silly," he said, every word coming out with goose pimples on it. "Why, do you know where I

"To the city incinerator to get warm. I imagine." I answered, moving aside to let an icicle-covered

Plans for Water Show. "No, I am going over to the beach a contest for the title of Miss Sun-burn of 1947. Want to come along?" "Who's judging the show?" I ked. "Admiral Byrd or Sir asked.

George Hubert Wilkins?" "Seriously," the secretary asked "do you think this is cold weather?" Before I could answer, his wife

answered for him. "For heaven's sake, Harry, quit this gabbing and let's get home and cover the flowers before they freeze

The secretary gave her a look that for a moment warmed half the city, then he swung down the street joints snapping with the cold, whistling "Moon Over Miami." A more proper tune would have been "Chilblains Over Coral Gables."

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To rent homes. His in-lated ras- empty until he had to give it up samaquoddy Project was expensive. It has been costly to maintain his padded FWA staff, containing as it Now we have the flasco of raising

Congress, the whole screwy So the President announced that price control Gen. Fleming was only fooling, of some \$8,000 a year. Whereupon, wreathed in smiles, Gen. Fleming posed for an appro-New York Harbor. His gentlemanly ground, resulting in a rapid and general rise in the cost of livpriate picture to be printed in the papers. The latest news emanating from

ing. Steel was the the administration, of particular interest to the former GIs, is that new regulations are about to be announced which, according to an OPA official, will accomplish "al-By THE HASKIN SERVICE.

Q. Is Dr. A. J. Cronin, the novelist and author of "The Keys to the Kingdom," a Catholic or a Protestant?—D. R. P.

A. Archibald J. Cronin is a Roman from Duluth, and half the member-ship of Father Chisholm after his uncle, a Catholic priest who assisted him shuffleboard sticks and head for home.

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a Catholic priest who assisted him in obtaining his education.

Q. How much of the Alaska highway is in Alaska?—E. Y.

A. Only about 200 miles. The highway begins at Dawson Creak in the state of the allowed them in prices generally To make this notion even reasonably plausible it is necessary also to ignore the appointment of Gen. British Columbia, and extends to fully stored in incubators—I had the lobby?) will not let him wait for

Gen. Fleming apparently understood a week ago that the President had approved his generous desire to raise the control on all rents by 10 that all of them are making "hnan-cial sacrifices" to serve in this ad-turned over officially to Canada when I met the secretary on the in a ceremony at White Horse on street. He was with his wife, who, formerly was director of the Produc-The temperature was in the 20s per cent. One James W. Follin, the woolens and a fur coat. Her hus-band, true to the oath all Florida drafted the order and was about to

escalator, which, too often, seems to be the surest road to both political preferment and newspaper acclaim.

A graduate of West Point, with the engineers inspected these barges two stars of a major general, even at the beginning of the war it seemed that the Army could get their bottoms. En route to Norfolk

Purchase of Barges Recalled.

garies, to date, have cost the Treas- huge Capital Garage Building in ury money, but now the burden will downtown Washington to store Gov-fall upon those who are compelled to rent homes. His ill-fated Pas-empty until he had to give it up does some six or eight highly placed chair-warming assistants at salaries

engineers inspected these barges one of these barges sank. Their

rents without raising them. Yet President Truman allows that the general is one of the best administrators in the Government Well, perhaps he is. (Copyright, 1847)

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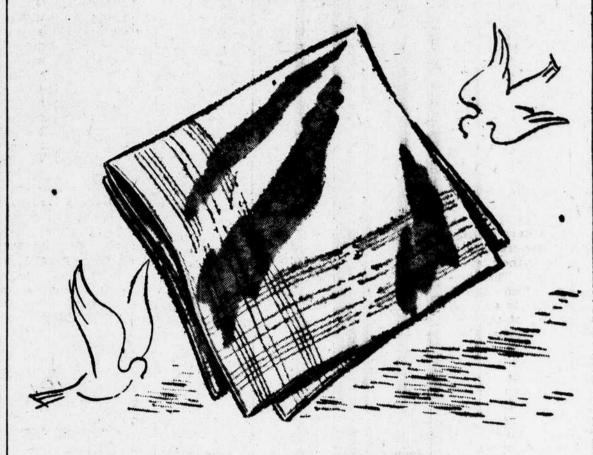
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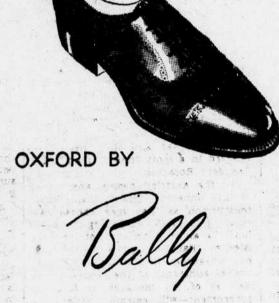


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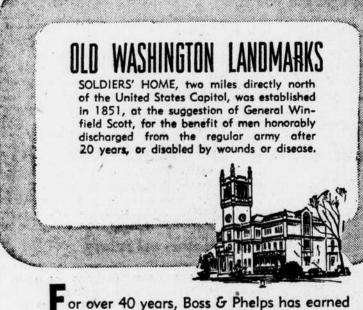
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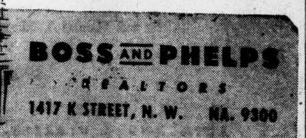
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